

Erie County Ethics Board

July Meeting Agenda

July 2, 2018 8 a.m.

16th Floor Rath Building

MEMBERS:

___ Steven Schwartz, Chair
___ Chris Trapp, Vice-Chair
___ Rebecca Town, Secretary
___ Warren Galloway

STAFF:

___ Leslie Ortiz-Fogg, Counsel
___ Vianne Uthman, Administrative Staff

OTHERS PRESENT:

___ Ross Kostecky, Legislature Office (recording)

1. Meeting call to order.
2. May 2018 meeting minutes review and approval. * (June meeting cancelled for lack of quorum.)
3. Website Updates / Email Updates (Uthman /Town /Schwartz):
 - i. Request for opinions/actions: general questions regarding new filing forms
 - i. State (NFTA) response to Buffalo News article on reporting responsibilities of various authorities
 - ii. FOIL Requests:
 - i. 4/10/18 Szanyi re: Morton documents*
 - ii. 5/17/18 Spina (Buffalo News) requests for current Financial Disclosures for elected officials
 - iii. Other communications: Schwartz/Ortiz-Fogg
 - i. 5/9/18 Meeting with Board and staff of Erie County Water Authority (ECWA)- requirement to file disclosures and request for modified form; submission of list for disclosures; potential removal of names *
 - ii. 6/3/18 Open Government Report on ethics disclosures
4. Old Business:
 - i. (Schwartz) Acknowledgement of resignation from Miles Gresham.
 - ii. (Trapp): Update in the matter of Morton vs. County of Erie, et al.:
 - iii. (Schwartz/Ortiz-Fogg) 5/18/18 Bredeen (DISS) review of employee with vendor contract
 - iv. (Uthman/Schwartz) Personnel notification of county employees, elected officials and Board members and collection of annual brief disclosures
5. New Business:
 - i. (Uthman) Status of receipt of Financial Disclosure Forms for 2017
 - ii. (Schwartz) Results of follow up on disclosures reviewed
 - iii. Review of individuals delinquent to date and follow up letters with fines
6. Next meeting scheduled for Monday August 6, 2018 at 8 a.m..
7. Motion to adjourn.
8. Review of Disclosures (ECWA)